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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicants: T. ISOBE et al. Confirmation No.: 6446  
Serial No.: 10/676,020  
Filed: October 2, 2003  
For: AUTOMATIC ANALYZER  
Group: 1743  
Examiner: N. Turk

**REPLY**

**Mail Stop Amendment**  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**January 10, 2008**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated July 10, 2007, which did not set a shortened statutory period for reply, reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejections and allowance of the present application are respectfully requested in view of the following amendments and remarks.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2.

**Remarks** are included following the amendments to the claims.